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In re Application of

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 20, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed January 26, 2004, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A reply under 37 CFR 1.113 is limited to an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance or a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b)). The reply submitted on July 2, 2004 (originally filed March 29, 2004) did not *prima facie* place the application in condition for allowance as noted in the Advisory Action mailed August 13, 2004. Therefore, as no Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee), Request for Continued Examination (RCE) or a continuing application was timely filed, and no extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on April 27, 2004.

The above-identified application is being revived for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination (RCE)).

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Wan Laymon at (571) 272-3220.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 3714 for processing of the RCE under 37 CFR 1.114.

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